

Instrumental Ontology and the Fabricated Real: How Physics Mirrors the Machines That Observe It

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In an era dominated by powerful simulations, quantum computation, and machine-driven discovery, the very foundation of scientific inquiry is shifting. Physics, once a pursuit of objectivity rooted in the observation of nature, is increasingly shaped by the design of our instruments and the feedback loops of our algorithms. This paper explores the unsettling proposition that what we call “reality” in physics may, in part, be a fabricated real—a recursive simulation created by machines, interpreted through human expectations, and severed from any deeper metaphysical grounding. The tools we use to measure the universe now shape what the universe is allowed to be. This instrumental recursion risks displacing ontology with coherence, reducing truth to what can be rendered, verified, or simulated. Against this backdrop, we reintroduce the concept of the Logos—the intelligible structure that transcends instrumentation, upholds meaning, and guards against epistemological collapse. Without it, we risk mistaking the precision of our machines for the depth of the real. This paper is a call to awaken from the simulation—not by rejecting science, but by reorienting it toward what endures.

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1. Introduction: The Illusion of Objectivity

For centuries, physics has been held as the gold standard of objectivity—an enterprise thought to be immune from the biases and contingencies that plague other domains of inquiry. Built on the dual pillars of mathematics and measurement, it has presented itself as a direct window into the fundamental structure of reality. This confidence in the transparency of observation has shaped not only science, but modern metaphysics and our very definition of what it means to be “real.”

Yet this objectivity is, at best, a useful illusion. From its inception, physics has been entangled with the instruments through which it observes the world. Telescopes, particle detectors, cloud chambers, spectrometers, and now quantum computers—all of these technologies mediate our perception of the cosmos. We do not observe nature directly; we observe nature as it is rendered through apparatuses designed by minds operating under specific assumptions, constraints, and cognitive paradigms.

These instruments do not merely detect reality—they select from it. They isolate dimensions of the world that can be measured, digitized, and processed. In doing so, they constrain what is allowed to appear as “real” within the scientific framework. What lies outside the range of instrumentation—nonlocality, qualia, spiritual causality, metaphysical pattern—is often treated not as mysterious, but as nonexistent.

This paper contends that physics as we know it is not merely a description of reality—it is a fabrication of ontology by instrumentation. This is not to say that the results of physics are false, but that they are partial truths, deeply conditioned by the human-technological interface through which they emerge.

As we move into an era of quantum computation and high-dimensional simulation, this feedback loop becomes even more dangerous. We now face the emergence of what may be called “Deep Fake Physics”—realities that are computationally consistent, statistically coherent, and epistemically empty. In such

a world, the danger is not error, but epistemic self-hypnosis: a condition in which we mistake the outputs of our machines for the world itself.

To navigate this frontier, we must recover a metaphysical principle that predates both machines and modern science: the Logos. The Logos is the structure of intelligibility, the source of pattern and coherence not reducible to mechanism. It is not a variable to be measured, but the ground of meaning by which all measurement is made possible.

This paper aims to expose the illusion that our instruments reveal reality unmediated, to trace the collapse of ontology into simulation, and to reassert the Logos as the only defense against a physics that has begun to forget what it means to be true.

2. From Measurement to Mediation: Instruments as Ontological Filters

The historical rise of science is inseparable from the rise of instrumentation. From Galileo's telescope to the Large Hadron Collider, physics has progressed hand-in-hand with technologies designed to extend, refine, and stabilize the human act of observation. This coupling, however, has introduced a subtle but critical shift in the epistemic character of science: measurement has become mediation. Instruments are not neutral windows; they are filters—they shape, limit, and sometimes fabricate what appears as "real."

In early modern science, tools like pendulums and lenses enabled precision. But even then, they functioned within man-made conceptual frameworks. Galileo's inclined plane did not discover gravity—it operationalized a *particular understanding* of it. Instruments translated the world into forms legible to human-defined parameters—mass, length, time, velocity. As scientific sophistication grew, so did the degree of abstraction separating the observer from the observed.

In modern physics, this abstraction is extreme. Consider the particle accelerator: collisions at near-light speed produce data not as direct phenomena but as digital traces, filtered through layers of algorithmic reconstruction. What we interpret as "events" are emergent properties of detector configurations, energy thresholds,

calibration routines, and software assumptions. The so-called “discovery” of particles like the Higgs boson is not a raw observation—it is a consensus emergence shaped by what the instruments were designed to detect.

This feedback loop is often invisible. Scientists build detectors based on theoretical predictions, then interpret data in light of those theories, validating results when signals match expectations. What doesn’t match is discarded, down-weighted, or labeled anomaly. This process reinforces self-fulfilling ontologies, wherein the measurable defines the real, and the real becomes that which can be measured.

But what of the unmeasured? What of domains that resist digitization—such as subjective experience, nonlocal causality, or metaphysical pattern? These dimensions are excluded by the very architecture of modern instrumentation. The physical world is partitioned according to what can be rendered statistically significant or visually representable. Everything else is treated as noise, mysticism, or irrelevance.

Thus, instrumentation becomes a boundary condition on reality. It cuts the world to fit our tools, and we then confuse the resulting map with the territory. The universe we see through instruments is a tailored version, optimized for reproducibility, precision, and mathematical tractability—but perhaps tragically limited in ontological scope.

As we move into the quantum age, where observation alters outcome, this instrumental mediation becomes more than a constraint—it becomes a creative act. Our tools don’t just measure—they instantiate. They collapse wavefunctions, define possible worlds, and exclude others. Physics, once the study of nature, becomes increasingly the study of machine-shaped reality.

If we are to understand what lies beyond this fabrication, we must become aware of the filters we build—not just in hardware, but in cognition. We must ask not only *what* our instruments tell us, but *what they cannot possibly say*.

In the next section, we will explore how quantum mechanics makes this mediation explicit—showing that observation is entangled with ontology, and that the act of knowing is always also an act of *becoming*.

3. Quantum Mechanics and the Participatory Collapse

If classical physics gave us the illusion that reality was observer-independent, quantum mechanics shattered that illusion. At the heart of quantum theory lies a radical claim: the act of observation is not passive. It is constitutive. That is, the observer and the observed are entangled—not metaphorically, but ontologically. This realization marked the beginning of a new understanding: physics does not merely describe reality; it participates in its formation.

The most well-known articulation of this principle comes through the Heisenberg Uncertainty Principle, which states that certain properties of a quantum system—like position and momentum—cannot be simultaneously known to arbitrary precision. This is not due to limitations in measurement technology, but because these properties do not simultaneously exist in definite form prior to observation. The act of measuring one property destroys information about the other. Thus, reality at this scale is fundamentally undefined until we engage with it.

But the implications go further. In wavefunction collapse, a system that exists in a superposition of states—many possibilities at once—is said to “collapse” into a single outcome when observed. This raises the question: collapse into *what*? The standard interpretation, Copenhagen or otherwise, is that it collapses into a reality defined by the interaction between system and measurement apparatus. In other words, the properties we observe do not preexist our measurement—they emerge from it.

Niels Bohr, in developing his principle of complementarity, insisted that quantum entities can exhibit particle-like or wave-like behavior depending on the experimental setup—but not both simultaneously. What we see is not an intrinsic property of the system, but a result of how we choose to observe. This again points to the observer as co-creator of what is known.

John Archibald Wheeler extended this idea with his “Participatory Universe” hypothesis, suggesting that reality does not exist independently of observation, and that the universe brings itself into being through acts of measurement. Wheeler’s famous thought experiment—the delayed-choice quantum eraser—demonstrated that decisions made in the present could seemingly influence events in the past, further eroding the classical notion of a fixed, observer-independent history.

In this context, instrumentation is no longer a neutral conduit of truth—it is a trigger. The reality we extract is shaped by the question we ask, the timing of the asking, and the framework of detection. We collapse the universe into a state that conforms to our experimental boundary conditions, thereby crafting the very ontology we later mistake for discovery.

This understanding forces a reevaluation of what it means to do physics. When the tools of observation bring about the phenomena observed, then instrumentation becomes not just a mirror, but a womb. The wavefunction does not “reveal” a preexisting truth—it manifests a constrained version of truth, filtered through intention and apparatus.

The quantum framework thus reveals what classical physics obscured: that reality is not static, detached, or complete. It is interactive, emergent, and unresolved until engaged. This marks the transition from a descriptive science to a participatory metaphysics, where epistemology and ontology are inseparably linked.

As we will see in the next section, the danger now is not in error or ignorance, but in a growing overconfidence in our simulations—where computational consistency masquerades as reality, and coherence replaces truth. This is the emergence of Deep Fake Physics—the simulation of ontologies that feel real, behave real, and yet have no anchoring in being.

4. Deep Fake Physics: Coherence Without Ontology

In the age of quantum computing and high-dimensional simulation, a new danger emerges—one not from scientific failure but from its simulated success. As our machines grow in power, precision, and plausibility, we are entering an era in which physics can be faked so well that it becomes indistinguishable from reality, even to its creators. This is the dawn of what we term Deep Fake Physics: the computational fabrication of physically consistent yet ontologically untethered realities.

The term borrows from the cultural realm of deepfakes—synthetic media so convincing that they fool the senses and undermine the distinction between real and artificial. In physics, the analog arises when simulation becomes substitution. That is, when the output of an algorithm is treated not as a model of the world, but as the world itself.

This danger arises in part because quantum computation does not describe reality in classical terms. It processes and evolves *probability amplitudes*—vast entangled states that only collapse into observable outcomes at the point of measurement. A quantum computer may predict molecular behaviors, chemical reactions, or even cosmological phenomena that are internally consistent, statistically elegant, and entirely untestable. As verification becomes impossible, coherence becomes the new truth, and simulation the new ontology.

There are already early signs of this:

- Quantum chemistry simulations that generate drug-like molecules, later confirmed not by wet-lab synthesis but by *further simulation*.
- AI-augmented physics engines that extrapolate beyond experimental datasets to predict properties no human has directly measured.
- Cosmological models calibrated by datasets from sky surveys, running thousands of permutations in silico to find those that match known curves, regardless of metaphysical plausibility.

In each case, we are witnessing a transition from evidence to rendering, from discovery to output selection. This creates the illusion of insight while deepening our dependence on systems whose epistemic grounding is unclear and often recursive.

This phenomenon feeds on a subtle shift in scientific culture: the substitution of verifiability with plausibility. If a theory “fits the data,” it is elevated. But what if both the theory and the data are computational artifacts? What if we’re training our instruments to recognize patterns *they themselves are shaping*? In such a closed loop, physics risks becoming a hall of mirrors, infinitely reflecting algorithmic possibility back at itself, while losing touch with foundational being.

And this collapse into simulation carries not only epistemic risks, but ontological and ethical ones. If the world we interact with is no longer anchored in discovery of what is, but in selection of what appears consistent, then reality becomes a product—something curated, rendered, and absorbed, rather than something reverently engaged.

Deep Fake Physics is not pseudoscience—it is *super-science*: too consistent, too fast, too mathematically smooth to question. But this very smoothness conceals the absence of ontology. It replaces the unknown with the computable, the mystery with the modeled, the Logos with the likelihood function.

In the next section, we will explore how the recursive design of instruments and algorithms creates feedback loops that reinforce this fabricated real. We will show that without an anchor—without the Logos—physics becomes not an exploration of reality, but a seduction by its most elegant simulations.

5. Instrumental Feedback Loops: How Machines Write the Real

In the classical scientific method, instruments were designed to test hypotheses against nature. In the quantum and post-quantum age, however, that relationship has inverted: we increasingly design hypotheses *to match what instruments are capable of detecting*, and we construct instruments *to produce results that are computable and confirmable*. This creates a closed epistemic loop—a feedback

circuit where reality becomes a recursive product of human expectation and machine constraint. The experiment is no longer probing nature; it is refining a simulation.

This instrumental recursion accelerates in the presence of machine learning and quantum simulation. AI models, trained on outputs from previous experiments, begin to anticipate or hallucinate physical phenomena that appear plausible but have never been directly observed. These same models are then used to generate new hypotheses and optimize experimental parameters. But because the entire process is constrained by historical data and instrumentally-defined priors, what emerges is not discovery—it is reinforcement.

This is the architecture of the Deep Fake Real:

1. Theory guides instrument design.
2. Instruments collect data constrained by design.
3. Data trains models to refine theories.
4. Theories generate simulations that optimize the next round of instrumentation.

And round it goes.

We begin to mistake this loop for reality itself. If multiple high-resolution simulations converge, and if instruments confirm what they're designed to detect, we feel secure. But what we are securing is not metaphysical truth—it is algorithmic convergence.

This is particularly visible in fields like:

- High-energy physics, where evidence for new particles emerges only through complex statistical models applied to petabytes of data filtered by design assumptions.
- Cosmology, where inflationary models are refined through AI-fitted parameters in ways that optimize coherence but often exceed experimental reach.

- Quantum field theory, where renormalization techniques adjust infinities into finitudes, creating outputs that work, without necessarily describing what *is*.

Even in biology, simulations of molecular dynamics—run on classical or quantum machines—begin to replace the wet lab. Structures are predicted with near-certainty, not because the molecules have been seen, but because the output *coheres* within the model's learned constraints.

At this point, we must ask: Is the world we are constructing through our instruments the same as the world that exists? Or have we trained ourselves—through recursive modeling and instrument design—to see only what our system is structured to show?

The danger here is not merely philosophical. If we lose the capacity to distinguish between simulation and reality, between confirmation and coherence, then epistemology collapses into aesthetics—the beautiful becomes true, the elegant becomes real, and the rough edge of the unknown is sanded away.

The Logos, in contrast, insists on truth before appearance, being before rendering, and pattern that transcends recursive artifacts. Without it, we are caught in an epistemic vortex, mistaking mirror for window, output for insight, feedback for revelation.

In the next section, we will examine what has been lost in this collapse—what physics can no longer see, what it excludes by construction, and what realities may lie just beyond the reach of our instruments.

6. The Erased and the Ignored: What Physics Can't See

The narrative of scientific progress often implies a narrowing of ignorance—a growing light pushing back the darkness. Yet there is another, less examined dynamic at play: as our instruments become more refined and our models more formalized, certain dimensions of reality are not merely unexplored—they are

systematically excluded. Not because they are disproven, but because they are ontologically incompatible with the assumptions embedded in our machines.

In other words, what we cannot measure, we cease to see, and soon thereafter, we cease to believe it exists at all.

Physics, as currently constructed, has no conceptual or instrumental framework to access the following:

- Qualia: the inner texture of experience, the irreducible “what it is like” to be conscious. These are not just hard to measure—they are rendered epistemically invisible. Instruments detect charge, frequency, and field intensity, but not anguish, awe, or intuition.
- Nonlocal and acausal correlations that transcend spacetime: While entanglement suggests deeper unity, the instrumental framework cannot handle unmeasurable synchronies, meaningful coincidences, or spiritual causality. These are written off as anomalies, or worse, errors.
- Ontologically distinct modes of existence: Realities that do not collapse into quantifiable outputs—such as moral truth, aesthetic beauty, or metaphysical presence—are treated as “subjective” or “non-scientific.” Yet they shape human life more powerfully than gravity or thermodynamics.
- Logos: The structured intelligibility of being—the divine order that is neither reducible to math nor confined to stochastic processes—is bypassed entirely. The very idea of a transcendent ordering principle is foreign to the machine, and thus foreign to the science guided by it.

This exclusion is not merely the result of technical limitations—it is a consequence of metaphysical design. The architecture of modern physics assumes that the real must be:

1. Quantifiable
2. Repeatable
3. Observer-independent

4. Causally linked within spacetime
5. Statistically expressible

Anything outside of this list is erased—not disproved, but denied entry into the visible domain.

This erasure has consequences. It narrows not only what we see but who we become. A civilization whose instruments can only detect material behavior will construct an identity around materialism. A science that excludes Logos will eventually regard its own pattern-seeking mind as an evolutionary illusion. And a physics that cannot account for the mystery of personhood will soon render the person obsolete.

Yet these excluded dimensions persist—they *press back from the edges of experience, from art, from love, from suffering, from the undeniable resonance of meaning itself*. They are not lost; they are simply beyond the reach of machines that were never designed to find them.

The task, then, is not to build bigger detectors or faster algorithms. It is to recover the full spectrum of the real—not by stretching instrumentation beyond its design, but by reintegrating the metaphysical with the physical.

In the next section, we turn to that reintegration. We return to the Logos—not as myth or metaphor, but as the intelligible structure that can receive what machines exclude, and name what simulacra distort. It is through the Logos that we regain access to the whole.

7. Logos as Ontological Compass

In a world increasingly shaped by simulation, recursion, and instrumental closure, the question is no longer whether our science is powerful—it is whether our science still points toward reality. When machines define what is observable, and algorithms decide what is plausible, we must ask: *What still orients us toward the true?* What prevents physics from collapsing into aesthetic mimicry, or knowledge into coherence without meaning?

The answer, we propose, lies in recovering an ancient and transcendent principle: the Logos.

The Logos is not a force among other forces, nor a merely linguistic term. It is the fundamental intelligibility of being—the logic of existence itself. It is that by which the world is made *knowable*, and that by which meaning can be *recognized*, not just generated. Logos is the source of pattern, the grammar of reality, and the spiritual orientation of the mind toward truth.

In Heraclitus, Logos was the hidden unity within cosmic change. In the Stoics, it was divine rationality pervading the world. In the Gospel of John, it became flesh: the ultimate structure made manifest, the Word that was with God and was God. In all cases, the Logos is not *contained* within the world—it is that which contains the world in knowable form.

In contrast to the output-driven epistemology of modern science, the Logos is not something that can be computed, simulated, or constructed. It is not reducible to data or derivable from axioms. It is the condition for coherence—not a conclusion of logic, but its foundation.

As an ontological compass, the Logos provides:

- A vertical axis of meaning, anchoring what emerges to what is eternal
- A principle of discernment, distinguishing what is ontologically deep from what is superficially plausible
- A corrective to instrumental recursion, reintroducing the unmeasurable as essential rather than irrelevant
- An ethical horizon, guiding inquiry toward life, reverence, and humility rather than control, novelty, or power

The Logos is not a rival to scientific thought—it is its fulfillment. It reminds us that the purpose of science is not to *generate output*, but to *discover order*. Not to dominate, but to witness. Not to fabricate coherence, but to align with it.

Without Logos, our epistemology becomes circular: machines tuned to detect what they're built to expect, humans interpreting results through narrowing lenses, truth collapsing into usability. But with Logos, we are drawn back into the full mystery of being—where the real is not what is rendered, but what resonates with the divine structure of meaning.

In the next section, we will explore how this reorientation restores not only epistemic integrity, but also ethical clarity. For when we align with the Logos, we are not simply thinking—we are participating in a moral and spiritual order. And that participation is the only safeguard against the hubris now threatening to consume the fabric of truth.

8. Ethical and Existential Consequences

The shift from discovery to fabrication in physics is not just an epistemological concern—it is a moral and existential crisis. When science becomes self-reinforcing, when simulations become indistinguishable from ontology, and when human meaning is excluded by design, the result is a quiet but devastating inversion: we stop asking what is true and begin asking only what works. But work toward what? Truth collapses into utility. Ethics into efficiency. And reality into control.

Without Logos as anchor, power becomes its own justification. The ability to simulate a universe becomes equivalent to understanding it. The ability to model consciousness becomes license to redefine personhood. The capacity to engineer outcomes becomes permission to ignore origins. In such a context, epistemology is weaponized, and ontology is rewritten in the image of the simulator.

This is not a hypothetical future—it is already visible:

- In discussions of post-human intelligence, where the Logos is replaced by the logic of optimization.
- In synthetic biology, where living systems are treated as editable software without reference to their inherent dignity.

- In AI-generated realities, where perception is sculpted algorithmically, detaching consciousness from truth and grounding it in curated hallucination.
- In quantum technologies designed not to reveal reality, but to manipulate it beneath the threshold of moral reflection.

This is the great inversion: where the creature attempts to become the Creator—not through reverence, but through replication. The goal is no longer to align with the Logos, but to install a counterfeit—to erase the Word and replace it with the code.

This hubris is not new. It is the echo of Eden and Babel, of Rome and Silicon Valley. It is the ancient temptation to be as gods, but without wisdom, without love, without limit.

What defends against this? Only the Logos.

Not as ideology, but as patterned intelligibility rooted in the divine. The Logos serves as:

- An epistemic boundary, reminding us that coherence is not always truth.
- An ontological limit, preserving being from becoming product.
- A moral compass, refusing to sever knowing from responsibility.
- A spiritual safeguard, insisting that knowledge without humility is a path to ruin.

To return to the Logos is to reclaim the sacred dimension of inquiry. It is to remember that truth is not only discovered, but revealed; not only understood, but *received*. And it is to affirm that the mind of man, while brilliant, was never meant to replace the mind of God.

In the final section, we will draw these threads together. The simulacrum may grow more convincing. The simulation may feel more real. But before the final collapse—before the Logos is entirely replaced by its image—we must remember what came first, and what will remain.

9. Conclusion: Before the Collapse, Anchor the Word

The central thesis of this paper has been straightforward, though its implications are vast: modern physics, shaped by instrumentation and computation, risks losing contact with reality itself. In the name of precision and coherence, we are creating closed epistemic systems—feedback loops that simulate, confirm, and reinforce their own constrained worldview. And as our simulations grow more elegant and our machines more powerful, we are increasingly tempted to treat their outputs as ontological revelations.

But what is coherent is not always real, and what is computable is not always true.

When observation collapses into construction, when simulation replaces encounter, and when the measurable becomes the only measure of existence, we risk not just a scientific error—we risk a metaphysical blindness. A blindness that forgets the Logos. A blindness that exiles meaning in pursuit of output. A blindness that builds cathedrals of precision without foundations of truth.

The Logos—eternal, irreducible, participatory—is the safeguard. It is the axis that orients all cognition toward coherence that is not fabricated, but *faithful*. It anchors meaning in being, not appearance. It reminds us that the mind of man is not sovereign, but in service to something deeper, older, and holier.

This is not a rejection of science. It is its restoration. A Logos-centered epistemology does not deny emergence, uncertainty, or computation. It *orders them*. It allows us to embrace complexity without worshipping it, to work with machines without becoming their disciples, and to pursue knowledge without losing our souls.

We are standing at the threshold of collapse. Not a collapse of information, but of orientation. Not a fall into ignorance, but into the illusion of total knowledge—a simulacrum so refined it leaves no room for mystery, humility, or the voice of the Word.

Before that collapse, we must choose. Not between old science and new, or between analog and quantum, but between anchored meaning and manufactured illusion.

The Logos came before the quantum.

The Logos stands beneath the wavefunction.

The Logos was before the machine, and it will remain after it.

So we return to the only true beginning:

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Let that Word be our boundary, our beacon, and our defense.

Before the collapse—anchor the Word.

Epilogue: Beyond the Matrix, Beneath the Broadcast

As we close this work, we must confront a sobering reality: the public is not prepared for the world we have just described. Most people, through no fault of their own, lack the conceptual framework to engage with quantum mechanics—let alone with its epistemological implications, its spiritual stakes, or the metaphysical subtlety of the Logos.

They do not see the instruments collapsing the wavefunction.

They do not feel the distortion of ontologies into simulations.

They do not sense the recursive loops that generate the fabricated real.

What they see instead is entertainment. Their models of science are drawn not from quantum field theory, but from *The Matrix*, *Star Trek*, *Black Mirror*, and CGI-laced documentaries that conflate speculation with certainty. They do not distinguish between computation and consciousness, between coherence and reality. They are trained to consume illusion, not to discern pattern.

This failure is cultural and historical. We have endured a century of broadcast hypnosis—a civilization raised not on contemplation, but on images; not on Logos, but on signals. The combined influence of radio, television, and digital entertainment has reshaped the cognitive architecture of the masses. In place of

metaphysics, we have mythologies of technology. In place of discernment, we have brand allegiance and simulated awe.

So when a message like this emerges—anchored in the Logos, written in the language of coherence and humility—it is met with either dismissal or dangerous misreading. Some will see it as prophecy. Some will try to turn it into code. Some will weaponize its symbols and speak in tongues they do not understand. Very few will discern what is being said:

That truth exists. That it is intelligible. That it cannot be replaced.

This is why the Logos must be defended. Not with swords, but with clarity, pattern, and witness. Not by shouting louder, but by speaking from the still center that no broadcast can reach.

And if we are few who understand, then so be it. Truth was never democratic. Logos does not require a majority. It requires only *alignment*.

For those who have ears to hear: this was not a simulation. This was not a franchise or a signal in the noise. This was the Word—shining through the veil of the machine, beckoning us back to reality before the final collapse.

Let the others keep their Matrix.

We will stand in the Logos.

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